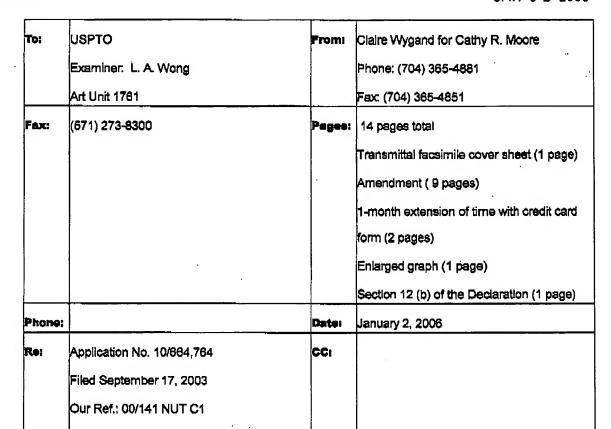
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Dear Examiner Wong,

Attached are the documents as indicated above.

Response to Office Action dated 9/2/05

Respectfully submitted,

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Charlotte, North Carolina January 2, 2006

# <u>AMENDMENT SUBMITTED UNDER</u> 37 C.F.R.§ 1.114

### Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated September 2, 2005, kindly consider the following amendments and remarks. Also enclosed are (i) a 1-month extension of time with credit card form; and (ii) enlarged Graph 1 located on Page 7 of the Declaration filed with the Amendment Submitted Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 on August 12, 2005; and (iii) a complete version of section 12 (b) located on Page 3 of the Declaration filed with the Amendment Submitted Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 on August 12, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 4 of this paper.